PUBLIC MEETING

Water Quality Study on Accotink Creek and Difficult Run

Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Fairfax County Government Center – Conference Rooms 2 and 3

12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035

The Virginia Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Conservation and Recreation (DCR) invite you to attend a public meeting to discuss water quality in Accotink Creek and Difficult Run. Both streams are located in Fairfax County. Portions of Accotink Creek and Difficult Run have been identified as impaired on the Clean Water Act §303(d) list for not supporting the primary contact recreation use due to elevated levels of bacteria, and the aquatic life use due to poor health in the benthic biological community. Virginia agencies are working to identify the sources of bacteria contamination and benthic stressors for these two stream segments.

DEQ is required to develop clean-up plans to address these impaired waters. The clean-up proposals are based on Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) studies. A TMDL is the total amount of a pollutant a water body can receive and still meet water quality standards. To restore water quality, pollutant levels have to be reduced to the TMDL allocated amount. Please join us at the meeting to learn more. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Impaired Study Areas:

Accotink Creek Difficult Run

